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*Replace by statement
what existing group
has done:
* 2 meetings - who came -
the group is prepared
to continue to meet.*

SUGGESTED IMMEDIATE STEP

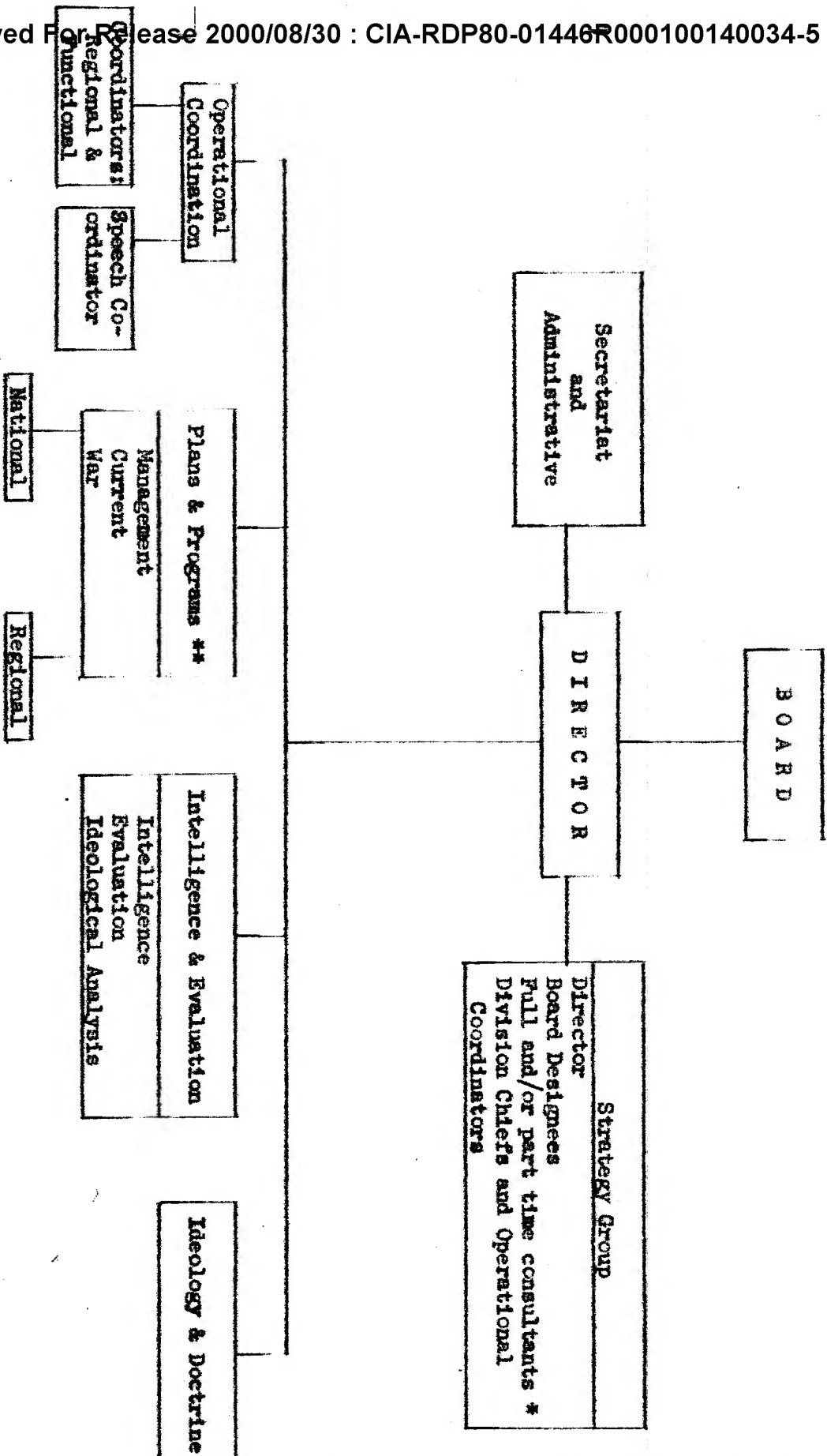
In order to move ahead immediately and rapidly on the substantive problems for which the Board was created, it is suggested that an Acting Director be named at once to function until a permanent selection can be made. Mr. Allen Dulles is recommended for the post; however, in case his other duties make his selection impossible, three other names in order of preference are submitted for consideration:

Mr. Elbridge Durbrow, State Department
Lieutenant Colonel William H. Kinard, Jr.,
Department of the Army
Dr. C. A. H. Thompson, Brookings Institute

It is expected that after his appointment the Acting Director will call on the participating agencies and make whatever arrangements are required to get such assistance as he finds necessary.

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* From the Government or private life.
 ** Maximum use to be made of regional and functional specialists available in the operating departments and agencies.

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